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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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BULGARIAN TREATY SIGNED.

A LONG WAIT BY GREECE.

CESSION OF TERRITORY AND REPARATION.

PARIS, November 27.
M. Stamboulinski, head of the Bulgarian Delegation, has signed the Bulgarian Treaty.

M. Stamboulinski was the sole signator on behalf of Bulgaria. He was seated at a side table, opposite to M. Venizelos. When M. Stamboulinski signed the Greek delegate remarked: "We have been waiting 1200 years for this. The Treaty was signed in the suburb of Neuilly. The Bulgarian delegates are said to have regarded the selection of Neuilly as a slight, but the Bulgarians stayed at Neuilly. Moreover as Treaties have already been signed at Versailles and St. Germain there was a diplomatic reason, that the Bulgarian Treaty should bear a fresh name. The document was signed as hitherto by the Allied and Associated Powers alphabetically. Mr. Harmsworth and Sir Eyre Crowe signed on behalf of Britain. Mr. Perley for Canada, Mr. Fisher for Australia and Mr. Blankenberg for South Africa. Sir Eyre Crowe also signed for India. Just before the ceremony began and the plenipotentiaries met on the staircase, a bride party was entering another room and after signature the Mayor of Neuilly left to perform the marriage ceremony for the waiting couple. The Treaty includes the surrender of Thrace by Bulgaria, the cession of men and territory within the bend of the Strumitza and a belt of territory on the Serbian frontier in the north west; also the reduction of the army to 20,000, the payment of two milliards, two hundred and fifty million francs as reparation.

THE INDIAN BORDER.

WAZIRIS BEATEN FROM THE SKY.

DATTAKEH, Nov. 16.
The bombing of Kaniguram was terrific. Buildings were blown to dust. The whole town was aflame when the raid finished. The airmen also machine-gunned thousands of rounds on the enemy. Casualties were heavy.

DATTAKEH, Nov. 17.
A Waziri jirga was held outside the fort when representatives of the six tribes unreservedly accepted the British terms. A section of the turbulent Madaikel tribe held aloof. They will be punished if they do not submit to-morrow.

THE OLD GAME RESUMED.

PIN-PRICKS AND WAR SCARES.

MELBOURNE, Dec. 1.
Sir Joseph Cook, the minister for the navy, said in a speech that he wholeheartedly supported the League of Nations but Britain should keep her powder dry because she could close her eyes to the preparations which Japan and America were making in furtherance of their policy in the Pacific.

CABLE DELAYS.

CABLES NOW MENDED: SITUATION BECOMING NORMAL.

LONDON, November 27.
In the House of Commons Mr. R. Clough referred to the extreme delay of all cables from mid to far east and from Africa. He called attention to the fact that even a fortnight often elapsed before the public is informed of events of the utmost importance. He asked if the departments concerned would be therefore instructed to issue promptly for public information the official messages they receive owing to preference in cabling. Mr. Lloyd George replied that the delay was caused by two faults in the eastern main cables which were now rectified. The situation was becoming normal; arrears were being worked off; and the various departments would continue to do what was possible in order to facilitate the early issue of news to the public.

CENTRAL EUROPE.

ALLEVIATING ECONOMIC SITUATION.

LONDON, November 27.
In the House of Commons at question time Mr. Lloyd George said the Government was fully conscious of the seriousness of the economic situation in Central Europe. The Supreme council was doing all possible to alleviate it, but had decided that only a comprehensive arrangement for a large international credit would be adequate. This involves participation by the United States, who have been urged accordingly.

ITALIAN POLITICS.

NEW FOREIGN MINISTER.

ROME, Nov. 27.
It has been definitely announced that the King will open Parliament on December 1. The appointment of Signor Scialoja as Foreign Minister, in succession to Signor Tittoni has been gazetted. Signor Scialoja also represents Italy on the council of the League of Nations.

ANOTHER GERMAN COMEDY.

POLAND FEARS A TRAGEDY.

LONDON, November 27.
The Polish Government has sent a note to the Allies asking them to prevent the Germans sending to the districts to be handed over to Poland troops withdrawn from the Baltic States. It is reported that detachments of the Iron Division have already arrived in those districts and it is feared this precludes another comedy of alleged disobedience to formal orders of the Berlin Government, similar to that played in the Baltic States.

THE AMERICAN COAL STRIKE.

BASIS OF GOVERNMENT SETTLEMENT.

WASHINGTON, November 27.
It is announced that the Cabinet's basis for the settlement of the coal strike was a wage advance of 14 per cent for all miners, Government control of prices and no present increase in prices. The acting President of the Miners' Federation declares the miners will not accept the offer.

SOUTH CROYDON BY-ELECTION.

LONDON, November 27.
The following is the result of the South Croydon by-election.
Sir Allan Smith (Coalition Unionist) 11,772
Mr. Houlder (Liberal) 9,573
(Continued On Page 5.)

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Router's Service to the China Mail.)

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

MUSOUYAN, November 27th.
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HANKOW'S CONSUL.

LONDON, Dec. 1.
In the House of Commons, Captain Hacking asked for references and the terms of the Order in Council whereunder Sir William Wilkinson, ex-Consul General at Hankow, was called upon to retire at the age of sixty. Mr. Haines Greenwood replied that Sir W. Wilkinson was not called upon to retire under the terms of any Order in Council. All servants of the Crown, civil as well as military, except in cases where otherwise provided by law, hold their offices only during the pleasure of the Crown. There are no provisions of law excepting the Consular Service from this general rule. The Secretary of State, acting on behalf of His Majesty, has power to call upon a Consular officer to retire at any time.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Dec. 1.
The death is announced of Rev. John Campbell Gibson, missionary of Swatow.

HAVAS REVIEW.

PARIS, November 25th.
A Havas message says:—
The "Big Five" met yesterday, and a Note was sent to the German Government on account of the sudden departure of the German delegates, thus impeding the ratification of the Peace Treaty. French circles assume that behind this manoeuvre are military and reactionary influences seeking to hold up the Treaty, thus preventing Germany's disarmament and the consolidation of a Democratic regime. The twenty-four newly elected Deputies in Alsace-Lorraine will meet at Strasbourg to-day, and write down a solemn declaration to be proclaimed at the first meeting of the new Chamber of Deputies on December 8th.
French delegates have concluded an Air Convention with Switzerland.
French circles and the Italian Press are exceedingly severe on d'Annunzio's latest exploit—the Zara raid. This is being condemned in the strongest terms. It is generally hoped that the Adriatic question may take quick progress towards solution.
The French newspaper printers' strike has practically arrived at an end.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

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CHINESE CABINET CRISIS.

PEKING, November 30th.
The House of Representatives, by rejecting two of the Premier's nominations on Friday, brought the struggle between the Premier and Parliament to a critical stage.
Chang Chi-tang, who was rejected for the portfolio of the Interior, is the Premier's right-hand man. It is believed that the Premier will again submit the list to Parliament. A second failure will force Chang Yung-peng to resign or smash the Anfu Club.

PEKING STUDENTS PROTEST AGAINST FOOCHEW OUTRAGE.

Yesterday, twenty thousand students paraded Peking to protest against the Foochow outrage. Banners bore inscriptions in Chinese, English, French and Russian. The proceedings were most orderly.

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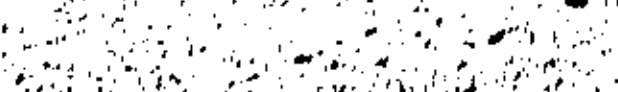
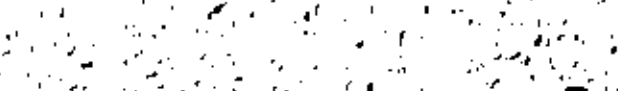
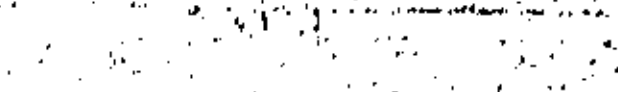
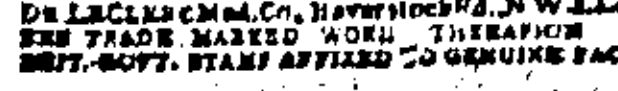
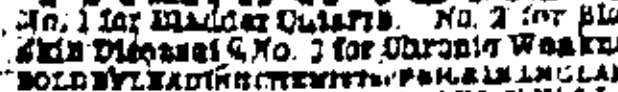
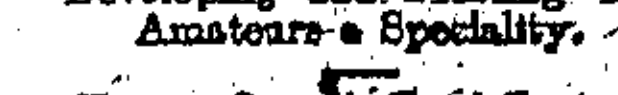
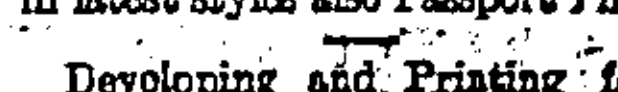
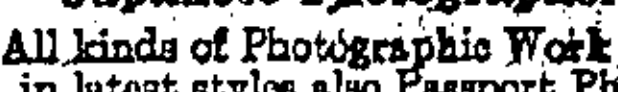
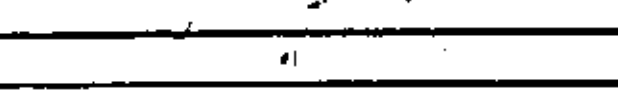
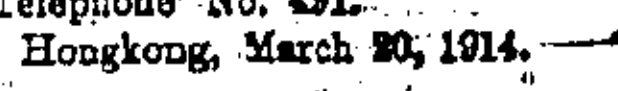
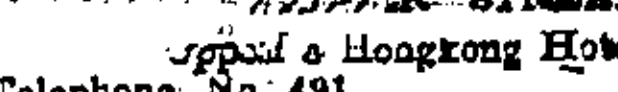
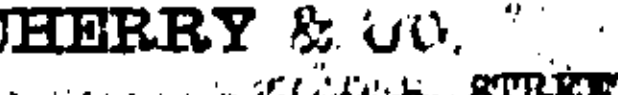
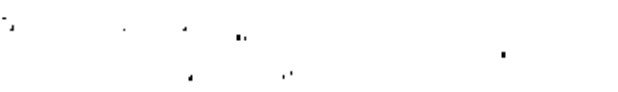
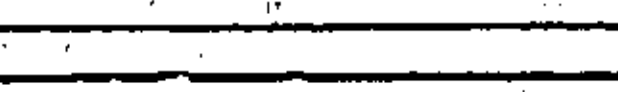
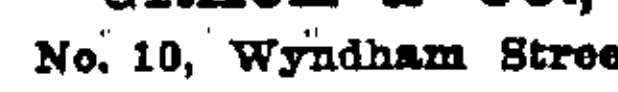
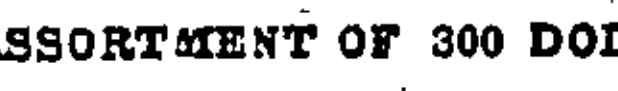
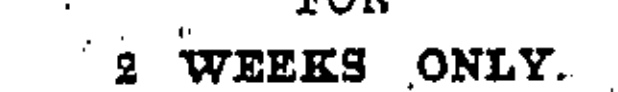
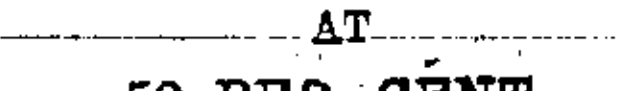
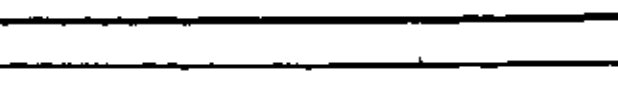
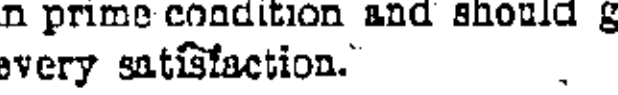
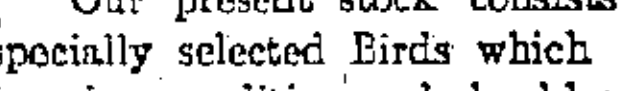
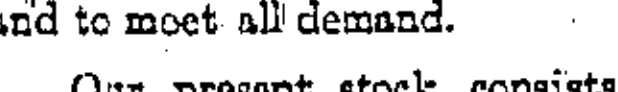
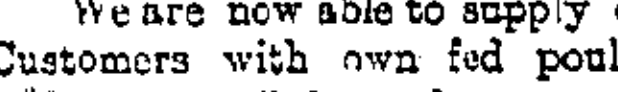
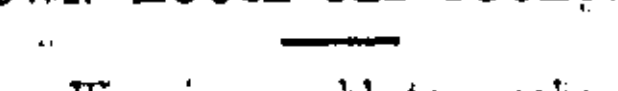
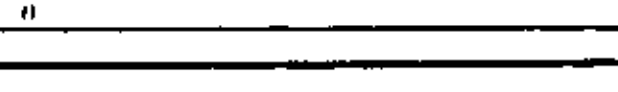
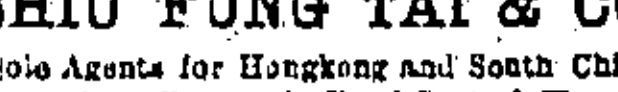
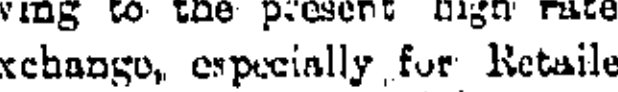
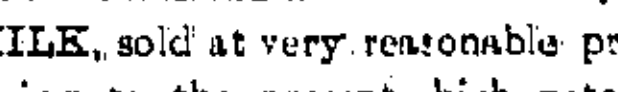
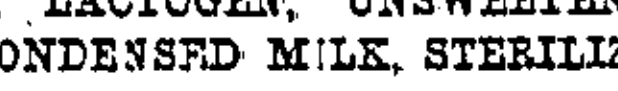
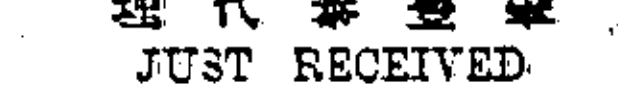
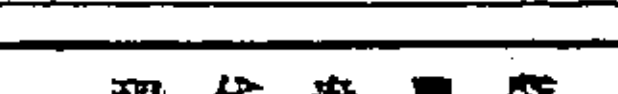
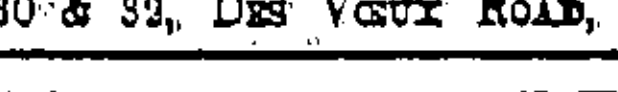
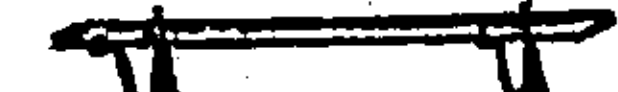
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OUT-OF-DATE
SERMONS.

The union of the Christian Churches was touched upon in non-committal fashion by the Archbishop of Canterbury in his sermon at the opening of the Church Congress at Leicester. He said he would utter no dictum on the practical questions under debate, but gave the assurance that there was no intention of shelving the problems and adjured the impatient to wait for the deliberations of the 250 to 300 fathers of the Church—from all quarters of the globe who, in nine months, will be meeting at Lambeth.

A pessimistic vein ran strongly through Bishop Gore's sermon. "Except in the vaguest sense, you cannot call England a Christian country," he said. "Not merely is it that, in every class, those holding the Christian faith are in a minority, but there is a widespread revolt against the principles of Christianity. The demand for free divorce, the open acquiescence in fornication as being inevitable, and what is euphemistically called 'birth control,' are evidences of this in our department of life. It would not astonish us to witness a reign of Anti-Christ or many Anti-Christ in our modern world."

The big, robust, and jovial-looking Bishop of Peterborough also spoke trenchantly in his presidential address on the failings of the Church. "The need of the Church and the need of the nation," he declared, "is a living theology."

Observers had expressed the opinion that the splendid qualities displayed by our soldiers were unrelated to religion and that their ideas of God were vague and dimly in the extreme. "The fact is," he continued, "that our people at large do not know what God is like or what He can do."

"DRY-BONES" WORSHIP. "If we do not take pains to explain God, other people will. This is why Christian Science, theosophy, and spiritualism enjoy an increasing opportunity. They attempt to state in terms which are modern and practical the fact of God and man's relation to Him."

The worship in thousands of our churches can hardly be said to reflect even a glimmering of God. The dry bones are there, whether of ceremonial or of the lack of it, but there is no breath."

The Bishop next spoke of the railway strike, and, as one who has made a study of Labour questions, even going incognito to Labour congresses, he spoke with knowledge.

He claimed that the strike would be a landmark in our industrial life from the fact that the other great unions, so far from fomenting trouble, were the mediators who brought about a settlement.

The chairman of the negotiating committee, added the bishop, had

LIFE ON £186 A YEAR.

A comparison between the income and expenditure of a schoolmaster and that of a miner who complained at Manchester that he could not pay income tax as he had only £209 a year on which to keep himself and his wife, is given by "A Teacher's Wife," who says her husband is the headmaster of a boys' school. He receives £183 4s. a year, including £27 6s. temporary war bonus. The family consists of father, mother, a boy of 6, and a girl of 3.

A table of her weekly expenses is set out side by side with that of the miner:

	Teacher (for 4).	£	s.	d.
Food (42/6 a week)	105	0	0	
Rent (8/4)	21	0	0	
Coal (2/8)	7	0	0	
Clothing	10	12	0	
Insurance	27	0	0	
Union subscrip	1	0	0	
Oil for light	5	6	0	
Husband's pocket (2/-)	5	6	0	
	£182	4	0	

Miner (for 2).

	£	s.	d.
Food (35/- a week)	91	0	0
Rent (5/4)	13	0	0
Coal (4/-)	10	0	0
Clothing	24	0	0
Insurance	6	14	0
Union subscrip	3	11	0
3 pairs of clogs	1	18	0
Repairs to clogs	1	18	0
1 pair of boots	1	15	0
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"A Teacher's Wife" adds that she has to find money for newspapers—"The Daily Mail," "Schoolmaster," and "The Times Educational Supplement." They mend their own boots, and she makes clothes for her children. In November they had a doctor's bill for £5.

Their income, to keep out of debt, has to be made up on the husband's part by private tuition, and secretarial work, taking most evenings of the week, and on the wife's part by painting and other art lessons and work.

"The miner with two to keep on £209 a year has certainly the best of it," she adds.—Overseas Daily Mail.

interpreted the meaning of the strike in words which could not be ignored when he said it was symptomatic of a movement for a fuller share in the control of industry and to raise the employee to the status of a partner. Of this the Church had two things to say—first, that that ideal was the Christian ideal of the larger fellowship, and, secondly, that it could only be obtained by patience, forbearance, and order.

WOODEN HOUSES.

PETERBOROUGH START.

The list of builders and contractors who stand ready with plans to erect wooden houses grows day by day, and there is marked impatience because the Health Ministry delays issuing its regulations giving permission to get on with this work.

Peterborough town council, while awaiting the Ministry's sanction for the erection of brick houses at a cost of £863 each, is embarking on a preliminary scheme of wooden housing.

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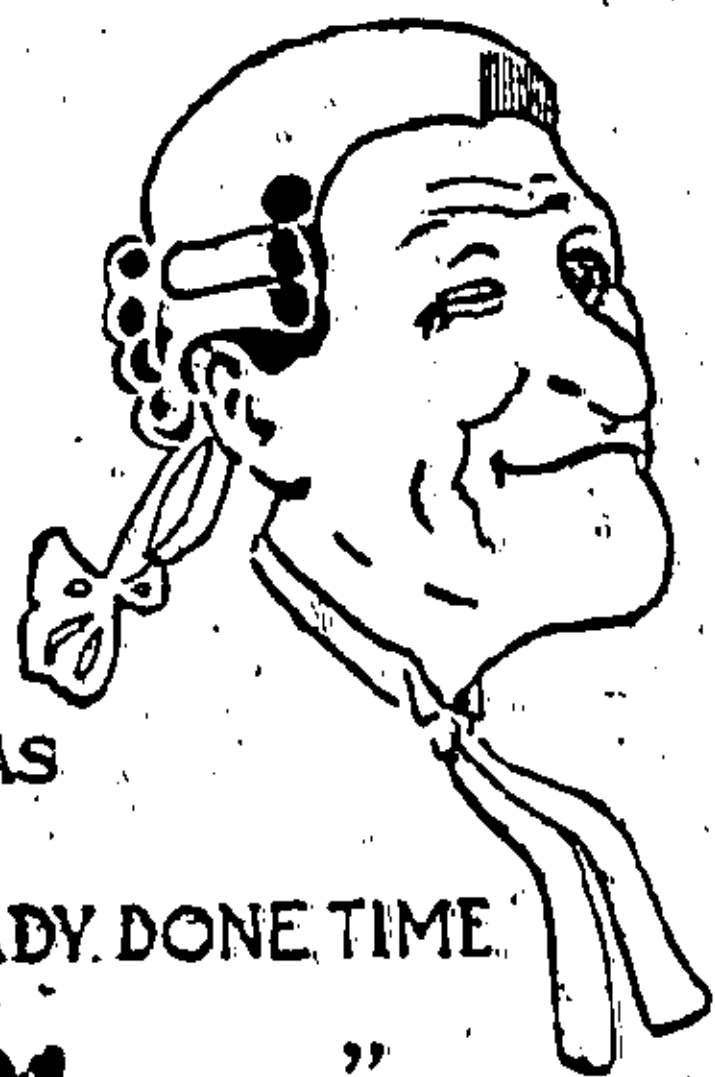
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BIRTHS.

BYRAN.—At Shanghai, on November 23, to Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Byran, Junr., a daughter.

BURGESS.—On November 21, at Malden, Surrey, to Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Burgess, a daughter.

DEATHS.

WHEELLEY.—On November 21, suddenly, at the Country Club, Shanghai, Edward Wheelley, aged 78.

XAVIER.—On November 26, at Shanghai, Sebastiao Cipriano Xavier, aged 67 years.

The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, Dec. 2, 1919.

ADVERSARIA.

China Mail readers may remember the story of a singularly brutal crime, of which the only survivor was a Chinese boy of a sampan family. He is supposed to have saved his life by swimming, and it is upon his evidence that two men are now under sentence of death. For some weeks now special investigations have been going on, and interviews held with the Chief Justice, by Counsel who believe that one of the men is innocent. A petition has been sent to the Governor by Mr. Fairbrother Mason on his behalf. It would involve a tedious long story to explain just why they are so convinced of the innocence of one man, and as the men have been recommended to mercy, we presume it will not be necessary to go into it. The prisoner on a capital charge is entitled to the benefit of any doubt. As there seems to be more than a doubt in this case, we presume His Excellency will be glad to exercise his prerogative. It would be horrible a risk hanging an innocent man.

A whole year ago the AN INDIAN Civil Servants PETITION, here sent in a petition to the Acting Governor, following up one to Sir Henry May, begging for free passages to and from India when on leave, and for quarters or house allowance in lieu thereof. In October 1918 something was done about it, but not what they wanted. The "concession" of passages docketed them of three months vacation leave, and it did not provide for food on the voyage. That is amusingly like the way "concessions" are made to subordinate all over the Empire. It is to put it mildly, shabby. Another thing they want is to have their families with them, which seems reasonable enough. Their pay is not such as permits them to save for the "extras" that their European colleagues get. If there has been no answer to the second petition we cannot understand it, for it includes one pathetic passage that would draw an answer from a bronze idol. They said: "Your petitioners' life in Hongkong is full of worries and anxieties, the heavy item of house rent robbing them in some cases of as much as 35 per cent. of their salaries and making it very difficult for them to manage their and their dependants' expenses with the rest; and this sort of life, no doubt, greatly affects their energy and efficiency in performing their official duties."

That is a sweet-sounding local lady that "Beltramas" has favoured us with to-day. It is a dainty trifle, that will find a home in many an album. As we anticipated, our own amateurish attempt at a ham-and-eggs sonnet served its purpose, and put Keith West on his mettle. But still we await the perfect sonnet on the subject. We cannot pass "may be I" even to rhyme to "sky"; and we don't know whether it is the egg or the ham which is "crisp-foe" of yesterday's marital strife. No doubt we are dense. As he isn't married, and his wife has independent means, it is a put-down about marital strife. Mr. William Hill has given us an amusing bit of fooling, that shows he is unable to approach the subject as reverently as he does a theme like "Comfort."

A friend writes in to impart what he considers a valuable discovery—a cure for that fed-up feeling. He and three friends looked out at Sunday's rain with feelings all workers will be able to guess. Gloom flapped its wings, and melancholy peevish through the keyhole. Then one of them was inspired. "What's rain, anyway?" he demanded. "Who's afraid?" They were infected. They put on old clothes, and rain coats, and legged it over the hills as they would have done in fine weather. "What do we care about the weather?" they yelled, and stepped out bravely. When they got back they were wet and muddy but very healthy and happy. "We forgot," he writes, "our fed-upness when the boy brought in tea." Excellent! But it is not new. It is George Borrow and the wind on the heath, brother, over again. Indeed, a walk in the rain is very refreshing. The depressing side of it is mental, and more due to the outlook than to the rain itself. It is a case of "grasp your nettle."

Knowing Kalgoolie, Western Australia, and the surrounding gold country very well, we were interested to see in an exchange some account of a new gold discovery out there. It is on the Hampton Plains, about 20 miles out of Kalgoolie. The report does not say in which direction and there have been several "new discoveries" all around Kalgoolie of late years, all of which petered out rather badly. All the alluvial gold is exhausted in the township, and the gold being got now is either from very deep works or from tailings left in more prosperous days. The outlook for the town was very bad a couple of years ago, and it is to be hoped that this new discovery turns out trumps, although there is a suspicious vagueness about the story. It seems to have impressed the London share market, sending Hampton Properties up to 45s. on the report that it was a 23 feet wide lode, assaying from 4 to 10 per ton. They were back to 28s. at the time this was written. There are miles and miles of dreary desert all round, and water has to be taken out to such "strikes" by camel. The story says that 300 leases have been pegged on the lode, and a site for a new town already laid out. The transcontinental railway to Sydney cannot be far off the place, so the news may mean big things for Western Australia.

We have just received an invitation to a children's party in an American town. It is interesting as showing how they do these things over there sometimes. There are four pages, covered with little pictures of animals, dolls, teddy bears, etc. Under the picture of the cat playing the fiddle, there is a paragraph giving the name of the host (a bachelor, by the way) and of the little lady of five in whose honour the party is given. On page 2 a paragraph states that she "hasn't had a birthday for a whole year, on account of the big war, and because Daisy, the elephant at the park, was sick last month." A similar humorous paragraph adorns page 3, and on page 4 Hongkong is mentioned. It says: "Uncle Bobbie told Wayne and me that Tom Wright of the China Mail, Hongkong, wrote this: 'Pure happiness is rarely sent to men who vainly build upon desire their House of Hope, who in the midst of plenty move, and grumble all their days.'"

A contemporary, noting that nearly SIX HUNDRED \$18,000 was collected for this intention of limiting subscriptions to five dollars was adhered to, it will be conceded that the response has been surprisingly good, for it would mean close on 3,500 subscribers. The China Mail understands that the original intention was not adhered to. We have corrected the grammar in quoting the foregoing, and may as well go on to correct an opinion on a question of art. The same writer wants the statue in uniform, on the ground that "a statue representing anyone in the conventional frock coat is seldom a thing of beauty." This is surprising in view of the fact that of all our public statues by far the most artistic is the statue of Sir Thomas Jackson, who is portrayed in the frock coat.

We have a telegram to-day showing that the incident of the Hankow Consul's retirement on June last year has cropped up again in Parliament. Captain Hacking, who asked for information, got none. The usual official evasion was the only result. No explanation was offered as to why Sir William, who was 54 years at Hankow, was called upon to resign ten years before the age limit was reached. He had intended to retire at 65, which would have enabled him to see his youngest son through Oxford. He claimed that he was entitled to stay on five years longer than that, but did not wish to. It was the Shanghai branch of the China Association (moved by "six of the most important business and banking concerns in the Far East") which pulled the strings and got him

dismissed. Now that the question has come up in this way, with such disappointing results, we think the time has come to publish all the facts as revealed in the correspondence. All the letters will appear in tomorrow's China Mail, and throw a very interesting light on the matter.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Today's dollar is worth 5s.

Mr. R. E. Bellios, G.C.O., left to-day for Shanghai.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell was amongst those who left for Home on the s.s. "Korea Maru" to-day.

Captain Dewar has won the Shanghai Golf Championship, after trying for 17 years. He beat Mr. J. C. Macdougall.

Revenue Officer Lanningan who left for active service eighteen months ago returned on Sunday by the s.s. "Tydeus."

For the benefit of Kowloon residents two extra ferries have been put in service between 8 and 9 o'clock in the morning.

Consignees of Cargo are reminded to clear their goods ex the s.s. "Tydeus" before December 8, or they will be subject to rent.

At the Helena May Institute this evening at 6, the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald is to deliver his lecture on "Our Nearest Neighbour in Space."

Flag Capt. Fisher, R.N., formerly attached to the China Squadron, and Mrs. Fisher, left Yokohama on the 29th ult. per the s.s. "China" for San Francisco.

Last week's communicable disease was diphtheria 1, enteric 1, and yellow fever 1. In the subsequent 48 hours there were 4 cases of diphtheria, 3 of them British.

Vice Admiral Sir F. C. T. Tudor, K.C.M.G., C.B., R.N., late Commander-in-Chief, China Station and Lady Tudor, left Yokohama per the s.s. "China" for San Francisco, on November 29 last.

A lecture on "Golf" will be given by Hon. Mr. S. H. Doddwell at the Helena May Institute on Monday Dec. 8 at 6 p.m. The lecture is open to members and their gentlemen friends only.

The following alterations in time of the Star Ferry service on week days are notified. From Kowloon: 8.0 a.m., 8.10, 8.20, 8.27, 8.32, 8.40, 8.48, 8.54, 9.0. From Hongkong: 8.5 a.m., 8.15, 8.20, 8.30, 8.37, 8.42, 8.50, 9.0.

The Hongkong Tramway Company's traffic receipts for the week were \$12,531, or \$299 less than last year. The aggregate receipts for 48 weeks were \$699,139, or \$36,194 more than in the corresponding period of 1918.

Paymasters Lieut. Johnson, R.N. and Strong, R.N.E., and Flag Lieut. Commr. Haxley, R.N., formerly of the staff of Sir F. C. T. Tudor, left Shanghai per the "Empress of Asia" for Home, via Canada on Nov. 29th last.

The tea dance at the Hongkong Hotel yesterday was well attended. The Misses Woods sang duets, mostly American songs of the rag-time species, and were heartily applauded. They are very highly trained performers. One of their most successful items was a song and dance called "Oriental."

During the Criminal Sessions this morning Mr. Justice Gompertz intimated that he accepted the excuse, and apology of S. Greenfield, who was late in his attendance for the jury yesterday afternoon. He proffered the excuse that he thought the Court had adjourned until this morning.

The Victoria Theatre management are presenting again to-night "Sporting Blood" which is a galloping romance of the race track, a master production of the William Fox Organisation. This extra show is by special request, and it is felt that many cinema-goers would like to see this picture as the inclement weather had interfered with our pleasure. "Sporting Blood" is a beautiful picture and it is the real "It" in cinematography.

SPECIAL CABLES.

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A SINGAPORE MYSTERY.

[CHINA MAIL SPECIAL.]

SINGAPORE, Dec. 1. It is announced that money orders payable in India and Ceylon will be issued at the rate "hundred rupees equals hundred dollars." This is expected to have the most serious effect upon the recruiting of Indian labour for Malaya.

AVIATORS EXPECTED AT SINGAPORE.

[CHINA MAIL SPECIAL.]

SINGAPORE, Dec. 1. Capt. Ross Smith and Poulet are arriving at Bangkok this afternoon and are expected here to-morrow.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

THE FOCHOW OUTRAGE.

[By Arrangement with the Wah Tai Yai Po.]

SHANGHAI, Dec. 1. The Tuchen of Fukien, General Li Hau Ki, wired to the Cabinet saying that the Japanese Consul reported that the students meddled with the goods of a Japanese firm at the south end of the Namtoli Bridge and caused the trouble, but in fact the trouble happened at the North end of the Bridge. Merchants and police were wounded besides students. Most of the Japanese carried arms. It is quite clear that the Japanese had wilfully and intentionally caused the outrage. Some Americans were wounded. The reports of the American and British Consuls there, to their ministers at Peking, could be taken as evidence of the outrage. The Japanese marines are now continuously landing and wandering about. He could do nothing but despatch more troops to maintain order. Protests had failed. The students there have been warned not to make further trouble and ordered to resume their studies.

The Japanese Minister at Peking disavows the landing of the Japanese marines but the latest report sent by General Li Hau Ki says two more Japanese warships have arrived at Fochow. In reply to the Foreign Minister, the Japanese minister says that the squadron was sent out by order of the Home Government to guard against the boycott movement and unless satisfactory protection is given the squadron will not be withdrawn. It is learned that the British, American, French, and Italian ministers at Peking have offered their mediation on the Fochow affair. The Chinese Charge D'affaires at Tokyo has reported negotiations with the Japanese Government about the Fochow affair. The latter complained that China did not suppress the boycott movement. He also urged Mr. Lau Kang Yau, the new minister, to proceed to Tokyo.

THE CABINET MINISTERS.

The premier, General Kan Wan Pang, is highly indignant over the rejection of two of his cabinet ministers by the parliament. He is going to submit other nominees. A second failure will probably force him to resign or dissolve parliament.

THE BULGARIAN TREATY.

Dr. Wellington Koo reports that he signed the Bulgarian peace treaty on the 27th, ult.

THE RUSSIAN TROUBLE.

General Yang Tsang Sun, the tuchen of Sinkiang, reports that the Russian civil war is spreading and coming nearer to Chinese territory. Only a river intervenes. The defeated party may run into Chinese territory. Martial law has been proclaimed in the Province.

ANOTHER GOOD HAUL OF OPIUM.

Following the seizure of 375 tons of opium in the Harbour on Saturday evening, the Police, acting upon information received, boarded two vessels which came into port the same evening. The U.S.K. s.s. "Soshu Maru" which went alongside her wharf at Connaught Road Central, was visited by Sergeant Fallon and a number of Chinese detectives. In the engine room, hidden in some unused machinery, they found 1933 lbs of prepared opium. The Police with the assistance of the ship's officers were unable to ascertain the ownership. Immediately after their "find," they left the ship, and boarded the s.s. "Sunning." A search was made in the engine room and 150 lbs of opium were discovered. In this instance too, no claimant appeared.

WALLA WALLA. Late on the 29th, a Black River Night and day was

WORK AMONG REFUGEES.

THE DEVASTATED FRANCE FUND.

The Theatre Royal was well filled last evening when Mlle. Van der Flier lectured on "Refugee Work in Holland" on behalf of the Hongkong Fund for the Devastated Villages of France and for Belgian widows and orphans. The lecture was under the patronage of H.E. the Governor. H.E. Vice-Admiral Sir Alexander Duff, H.E. Major-General Ventris, Sir William Rees-Davies and the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, who were all present. The Theatre was decorated with the British, American, French and Belgian flags while Mlle. Reau de Journal and Le Cable, Mrs. C. E. H. Beavis and Mrs. E. Davidson, all of whom were in French national costumes, designed and presented by Madame Flint sold programmes and during the interval took up a collection.

Sir William Rees-Davies, introducing the lecturer, said that Mrs. Basil Taylor was actively engaged in the very laudable desire of creating a Hongkong fund for the villages of France which had been devastated by the war. The visit of Mlle. Van der Flier gave Mrs. Taylor the opportunity of urging her to deliver a lecture on Belgian refugees in Holland and on the work done on their behalf in that country. Proceeds of the lecture would be devoted equally between the Hongkong fund for the devastated regions of France and the fund for Belgian widows and orphans, the object of which would be explained in the lecture. Mlle. Van der Flier was a Dutch lady and was authorised by the King of Belgium to carry on her campaign of mercy and she had recently delivered many lectures in the United States. The late Col. Iel Theodore Roosevelt, a great patriot and a far-seeing statesman, wrote about her not long ago before his death. He said: "It gives me great pleasure to recommend Mlle. Van der Flier, a Dutch friend of mine. Her country, gallant little Holland, had done, proportionately, far more than any other country for those who had suffered from the German horrors. It was at the moment a refuge for all the victims of the war, especially for the Belgians. From the beginning of the war Mlle. Van der Flier has devoted her life to the care of thousands of Belgians, especially the widows and children. She now desires to assist those in Belgium who are still suffering and her plan is also to build, after the war, a garden-village near Antwerp. She had a committee authorised by the King of the Belgians to assist her, as well as a Dutch committee of some of the most prominent people of Holland."

Proceeding, Sir William Rees-Davies said that the films which were to be shown after the lecture, would have a bearing on the subject. He called upon the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn to sing the Belgian National Anthem. On Mr. Severn's behalf, he asked for the indulgence of the audience as Mr. Severn had only first seen the words and music of the song that day. This he was asked to do by Mr. Severn, but they all knew that Mr. Severn was a master of song and to ask for indulgence was superfluous. (Applause.)

Addressing her audience as "Excellencies and dear friends," Mlle. Van der Flier recalled that a year before the outbreak of war there was a big dinner party at Rotterdam given by some German merchants. In the course of the speeches the friendship between the two countries was remarked upon and one of the speakers said that when they belonged to one big union they would live in prosperity and pleasure. The Mayor thereupon remarked that Queen Wilhelmina did not wish to rule over so large a country, but Holland which was no bigger than the state of New Jersey had taken in a million and a half refugees. Antwerp and Louvain, that wonderful city with its beautiful library and works of scientific men of hundreds of year ago, fell into the hands of the Germans and the people were told they would have to go to Holland. The men, women and children walked through Flanders—behind them their burning villages and before them an unknown future. Some were praying, some crying and some cursing, but when they came to Holland there was a sigh of relief. The first batch of refugees had scarcely been housed when others commenced to arrive, one batch numbering 20,000. They came to The Hague and people were asked to open their private homes to them. The lecturer had a boy's club for the use of boys from the slums and she signified her readiness to take a hundred refugees. She then sent a cart through the streets bearing an appeal for blankets, etc., and in a short time a plentiful supply came to hand. But she still had her boys to care for, so she told the refugees that they must work in the morning, go out in the afternoon and that the door would be shut at 5 o'clock. The speaker recalled the sufferings of the refugees and said that she found children crying for their parents and women for their husbands. Among the many interesting anecdotes she related was one of a small boy who was told by his mother to take his baby brother to the Dutch frontier. The boy hid the child beneath his blouse. He arrived there in due time and the baby was found to be unconscious, but careful treatment revived it and now both were strong. In

another case two girls were given money to get to England, but became separated in the rush of embarkation. The elder reached England but failing to find her sister returned to the Continent. Still she could not find her sister and returned home where her mother, who died shortly afterwards, was very ill. The girl was also found dead a few days after. Now all that remained of that family and the home, was an open door and a broken window. The war had caused so much trouble, so much harm and so much misery.

The lecturer mentioned her visit to America to raise funds and when she returned she found her own people on the verge of starvation. In addition to the refugees from Belgium they had 7,000 French children, 7,000 English soldiers and officers who had been waiting to die in a German prison with only a crust of bread. They said Holland was like Heaven to them. They had also 4,000 to 6,000 Russians and later 125,000 French women and children. Holland during the war was between devil and the deep sea. They were told that if they did not send food to Germany they would turn heavy guns on them and 150,000 men were placed on the frontier with guns. When the armistice came the refugees were told that they could go to their homes but it was the story of Noah's dove—they came back again as their homes were in ruins. It would take ten years to rebuild parts of France and from six to seven years to rebuild Belgium. She asked her audience if they knew what it was to be miserable, as these refugees were, and if they had suffered as they had done. When they saw her films they would realise that their sufferings were more than human beings could endure. It was for them to give the refugees a real home where they could be in their own country. She brought a message from these people to those of Hongkong and she was sure they would want to help them.

Kinema pictures were then shown, depicting scenes in Brussels before and after the German occupation, a bombardment of Antwerp, Belgian refugees arriving in Holland, scenes in Holland, and the employment of wounded and mutilated men at Detroit, U.S.A.

After the lecture, Mrs. Skilton sang "Beyond the Dawn" and "The Birth of Dawn"; later on rendering "Homage" and "Good Morning, Brother Sunshine."

At the conclusion, the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn sang the French National Anthem. Mrs. Hall proved a very sympathetic accompanist.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock proposed a vote of thanks to the lecturer and presented her with a bouquet in a silver vase.

VIGNETTES OF HONGKONG.

II.

My friend precipitated himself through the door, and sank, perspiring, into my office chair. I stared enquiringly. "Pity the poor atheist," he almost smiled; "I am pursued by a mob of the Faithful." I exuded incredulity. "Go and see," said he, indicating my window. I went.

Converging streams of black-coated people hurried towards the steps below. At the head of one rushing mass was borne a flaming banner bearing the legend "The Last Crusade." I withdrew my head as a brass-bound Family Bible hurtled through the window missing me by inches only.

James, lower the portculis and prepare the boiling oil," I shouted to the office coolie. He hastened to obey. Glancing through the curtains with caution I saw the crowd momentarily increasing. From the street rose, raucous, the battle-cry—"Onward, Christian Soldiers." The attack had begun. They were storming the gate. A crash, and the door was gone. Frantic feet tattooed the stairs. I retired to a corner.

I saw the glass with "Private" written thereon smash to a thousand splinters. There surged toward my friend a tossing sea of prayer-books. I saw his pale face, clear above the tumult for an instant, fearless, sublime. Then the wave engulfed him, and with the cry of a hungry pack the Faithful were on him.

I knew no more.

KEITH WEST.
Hongkong, Dec. 1, 1919.

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

As announced in yesterday's China Mail, it has been definitely decided that the first tournament under the auspices of the Hongkong Boxing Association will be held on December 13. The main event will be a fifteen-round contest for the welter-weight championship of the Colony between Sky Kerrison, holder of middle-weight championship, and Eddie Walters. The second main event is a ten-round middle-weight contest between Samman Hewitt, H.M.S. "Alacrity," and Peggy Evans, ex-middle-weight champion of the Mediterranean Station. The third event in importance will be an eight-round contest between Stoker Deconhardt, H.M.S. "Hawkins," and Stoker Neil, H.M.S. torpedo depot, Kowloon. All the fights will be under N.S.C. rules.

another case two girls were given money to get to England, but became separated in the rush of embarkation. The elder reached England but failing to find her sister returned to the Continent. Still she could not find her sister and returned home where her mother, who died shortly afterwards, was very ill. The girl was also found dead a few days after. Now all that remained of that family and the home, was an open door and a broken window. The war had caused so much trouble, so much harm and so much misery.

The lecturer mentioned her visit to America to raise funds and when she returned she found her own people on the verge of starvation. In addition to the refugees from Belgium they had 7,000 French children, 7,000 English soldiers and officers who had been waiting to die in a German prison with only a crust of bread. They said Holland was like Heaven to them. They had also 4,000 to 6,000 Russians and later 125,000 French women and children. Holland during the war was between devil and the deep sea. They were told that if they did not send food to Germany they would turn heavy guns on them and 150,000 men were placed on the frontier with guns. When the armistice came the refugees were told that they could go to their homes but it was the story of Noah's dove—they came back again as their homes were in ruins. It would take ten years to rebuild parts of France and from six to seven years to rebuild Belgium. She asked her audience if they knew what it was to be miserable, as these refugees were, and if they had suffered as they had done. When they saw her films they would realise that their sufferings were more than human beings could endure. It was for them to give the refugees a real home where they could be in their own country. She brought a message from these people to those of Hongkong and she was sure they would want to help them.

Kinema pictures were then shown, depicting scenes in Brussels before and after the German occupation, a bombardment of Antwerp, Belgian refugees arriving in Holland, scenes in Holland, and the employment of wounded and mutilated men at Detroit, U.S.A.

After the lecture, Mrs. Skilton sang "Beyond the Dawn" and "The Birth of Dawn"; later on rendering "Homage" and "Good Morning, Brother Sunshine."

At the conclusion, the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn sang the French National Anthem. Mrs. Hall proved a very sympathetic accompanist.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock proposed a vote of thanks to the lecturer and presented her with a bouquet in a silver vase.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reader's Service to the China Mail.)

(Continued from Page 1.)

DENIKIN BEATEN BACK.

BOLSHEVIKS SEND BIG FORCES.

LONDON, November 27. It is semi-officially stated that the Bolsheviks have driven back Denikin's forces to a maximum depth of fifty miles along most of the front. During the last six months the Bolsheviks have sent 350,000 men and 1,000 guns against Denikin, who has probably been forced to retreat further, but important forces which may redress the balance will be available for him; owing to events in Ukraine where the defection of fifteen thousand Galician troops made Petlura's position desperate, while the capture of Makhno's brigands by Denikin is imminent. This means the removal of the danger to Denikin's lines of supply which caused a diversion of troops from the ante Bolshevik front.

CHEAPER GAS.

LONDON, November 27. In the House of Commons at question-time Mr. W. C. Bridgman stated that adjustments in the prices of domestic electricity and gas would be made in consequence of the reduction of the price of coal.

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.

WASHINGTON, November 27. The International Labour Conference has discussed the report of the Committee on Unemployment.

An Amendment by Mr. Gemmill, South Africa, limiting the representation of European States on Migration Commission to one half of the membership, was adopted after a bitter debate.

Mr. Crawford, South Africa, pointed out the opposing economic interests of the Old World with its teeming population and the shortage of raw material and the New World with its abundance of raw materials and shortage of population. He declared the New World must be shown greater consideration and the impression must not be given that Europe was seeking only its own selfish interest or trying to take advantage of the Conference to perpetuate its dominance of World Industries.

M. Jouhaux, France, supported the amendment because France expected soon to become a country receiving immigration, but protested against the statement that Europe was seeking to exploit the New World. A motion referring all draft conventions to the International Labour Office was defeated by 41 to 33.

Another referring the question of unemployment to the Council of the League of Nations for solution was negatived by 43 to 40.

A Swiss amendment referring to the Governing Body the draft convention for reciprocal treatment of foreign workers was also negatived by 47 to 25.

A Canadian delegate, replying to the Italian suggestion that the Conference was dominated by national egotism instead of an international spirit, contended that any attempt to interfere with such international affairs would be disastrous.

Recommendations that each state establish an effective system of unemployment insurance were adopted.

HAYS REVIEW.

PARIS, Nov. 26. M. Clemenceau as the peace conference chairman has sent a note to the German government complaining that the departure of Herr Simson was imperiling the early ratification of the peace treaty.

The German government opposes a denial to the assertion that the departure of Herr Simson was influenced by the attitude of the American Senate against the peace treaty. Herr Simson will soon be due in Paris again.

The solemn declaration in the name of the 24 newly elected deputies for Alsace Lorraine will be read by Pleyer, aged 48, the deputy for Haut Rhin.

The treaty with Bulgaria is to be signed to-morrow. Rumania will be given a special week's delay for signature. To-morrow also Yugo-Slavs will sign the treaty at Saint Germain.

The international red cross committee at Geneva has sent a telegram to the Emperor of Japan thanking the Japanese people for their work in favour of prisoners of war in eastern Siberia and begging them to take care of the prisoners in central and western Siberia who are in great distress.

The municipal elections take place on November 30, French papers would prevent people from abstaining from polling if they could.

TANKS.

AWARDS TO INVENTORS—AND OTHERS.

LONDON, November 27. The royal commission on awards to inventors has reported regarding the various claims in respect of tanks. The report records that it was primarily due to the receptivity, courage, and driving force of Winston Churchill that the general idea was put in practice. The report attributes the principal credit for designing the production of the tank to Sir William Tritton and Major Wilson, to whom £15,000 is jointly awarded. Major-general Swinton is awarded £1,000. The report recognises the still greater value of his work of advocacy of the use of the tank, for which a pecuniary reward would be inappropriate. Another claimant was awarded £1,000; there were also two of £500 each. Some claimants were disqualified because their investigations were within the scope of their duties.

Mr. E. C. Tennyson D'yncourt the Clerkenwell Police Magistrate, is awarded £1,000. The commission exceedingly regret being unable to recommend an award to the Westralian Demole, who is entitled to the greatest credit for reducing the tank to practical shape in 1912. It was a most brilliant invention, which anticipated and surpassed in some respects that which was actually utilized in 1916 but which was put aside because occasion for its use had not then arisen. The commission, however, is bound to adhere to the general rule requiring causal connection between the making of the invention and the government's user of any similar invention.

ITALIAN BOLSHEVIKS.

ROME, November 28.

After two days discussion the executive of the Socialist party resolved upon defining the Socialist victory at the elections as an act of complete solidarity with the Russian Soviet Republic and an order to the government to recognise the Soviet. The executive insist that the Socialist group must participate in the opening of parliament and make an anti-monarchical demonstration.

U.S.A. COAL STRIKE.

WASHINGTON, November 28.

Negotiations for the settlement of the coal strike have broken off, the miners rejecting the owners' proposal to accept the fuel controller's suggestion to increase wages by fourteen per cent. The owners ignored the secretary for labour's proposal to increase by thirty-one per cent. The wage committee of the miners and mineowners adjourned indefinitely.

UNREST IN EGYPT.

CAIRO, Nov. 24.

Four revolver attempts have been made upon British officers since November 20. In one instance Captain Cohen of the Labour Corps was killed. The students are again striking. The four local committee men who disobeyed General Allenby's order to leave Cairo have been released from arrest and have gone to their villages.

KOWLOON COMMENTS.

[By THE KOWLOONER.]

The Kowloon Bowling Green Club has officially declined the offer of amalgamation, proposed by the K.C.C.

It is rather difficult to decide whether the joining of hands of the two Clubs would have been beneficial or otherwise. One point in favour of amalgamated interests, is, of course, that a good deal of at present useless ground (from the sports point of view) could be brought into commission.

Both Clubs are yearly increasing their membership lists and every available square foot of land will sooner or later have to be taken advantage of to meet the increased demands.

There would also have been a distinct advantage gained in having a new common club house on the corner of Cox's Path.

The reasons against amalgamation are not apparent to the outsider, but naturally, the suggestion of merging two such Clubs into one concern is calculated to meet with opposition from the point of view of old associations.

Notices with regard to the K.C.C. debenture issue will be circulated within the next few days.

The K.C.C. annual "draw" is being held as usual, this year. Tickets \$1 each.

His Excellency the Governor has signified his intention of being present at the children's sports to be held by the K.C.C. on Saturday, Jan. 3.

All Kowloon was at the St. Andrew's Ball. Indeed we go so far as to say that more than fifty per cent. of the Scotsmen present came from the peninsula.

The Star Ferry Company graciously put on three extra boats during the small hours, thus enabling Kowloonites to see the dancing (and bottle throwing) through.

The latest Kowloon riddle—Why was the tin pail pale? For answer ask those who were present at the presentation to Mr. Lindsell.

The presentation to Mr. R. E. Lindsell, on Saturday last, was another instance of the feeling of good fellowship for which the K.C.C. is now renowned. That it should be renowned shows that it is rare.

One member was rather disappointed at the absence of the "King of Patagonia" from the presentation. I understand, however, His Majesty will be present at the Children's sports on January 3.

I must say I agree with Mr. Brown when he said that Mr. Lindsell had made an excellent vice-president. Any man who can successfully handle a K.C.C. general meeting, as I have seen Mr. Lindsell do, is capable of holding the office of vice-president of the League of Nations.

Owing to the inclement weather, Messrs Elson and Gray had to abandon play in the final of the "Thompson Cup." Two holes were played after which it was found impossible to proceed.

THE LATE MR. EDWARD WHEELLEY.

Mr. Edward Wheelley, whose death is announced in our obituary notices, first came to the Far East in the late "sixties" to join the firm of Dent & Co. in Hongkong, and in the early "seventies"—about 1875—was transferred to Shanghai to take up his position with the firm which afterwards was known as Alfred Dent & Co. Mr. Wheelley acted as manager of the firm in Shanghai until about a year ago when it gave up business, and continued afterwards to carry on the estate and insurance branches of the business.

In his younger days Mr. Wheelley was an able and enthusiastic lawn tennis player and until quite recently was a very keen billiard player. In fact, most of his time in the evenings after office hours was spent in this recreation at the Country Club, of which he was a respected member. He was one of the organizers of several competitions at the Country Club in these two branches of sport, and was also closely identified with the reconstruction of the Club.

To his family, who reside at Home, the deepest sympathy is extended in their loss.

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GOLF.

The following match was played at Fanling on November 30 between the Navy and Army. Owing to the weather singles only were played. The result was a draw.

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Surg. Commr.	Gribbell	Major L. Smith	1
Capt. Henderson	1	Lt. Col. Coles	1
Lieut. Casswell	1	Major Hickling	1
Surg. Lt. Comdr. Cockrem	1	Major Downing	1
Capt. Carrington	1	Lt. Col. Harvey	1
Comdr. Wodehouse	1	Major Edwards	1
Sub-Lt. Scott	1	Capt. Barrell	1
Moncrieff	1	Capt. Tomory	1
Lieut. Jones	1	Lt. Col. Cross	1
Lt. Col. Mayhew	1	Lt. Col. Taylor	1
Paym. Lt. Comdr. Holborn	1	Lt. Col. Clenden	1
Lieut. Comdr. Kilgour	1	Lt. Col. Smith	1
Lt. Currie	1	Capt. Murray	1
Lt. Commander	1	Lt. Col. Wynd	1
Drew	1	ham	1
Com. Gunner	1	Major Harding	1
Total	7	Total	7

"HOCKEY."

The Following will represent H.K.H.C. at U.S.R.C. against H.K.S.B.R.G.A. at 4.30 p.m. to-morrow:—C. Hodgson, M. L. Raitton, C. C. Hickling, E. J. R. Mitchell, Rev. Martin, J. R. Blacking, R. A. Brand, A. E. Wood, W. H. Edmonds, B. D. Evans (Capt.), A. K. Mackenzie.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENT.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

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Hongkong, December 2, 1919.

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MEMBERS of the above GUILDS are informed that a combined meeting will be held at the GUILD OFFICES, 10 Des Vaux Road, on THURSDAY, December 4th at 3 P.M. Sharp.

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TENYO MARU	22,000	18th December.
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SHINYO MARU	22,000	15th January.
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Empress of Japan	Jan. 22	Feb. 9
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Empress of Russia	Mar. 10	Mar. 31
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Monteagle	Mar. 11	Mar. 29
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Empress of Asia	Mar. 22	April 15
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Empress of Japan	April 8	April 26
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Empress of Russia	May 5	May 26
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Monteagle	May 29	May 24
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Empress of Asia	June 3	June 21
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Empress of Japan	June 30	July 21
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Empress of Russia	July 1	July 19
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Empress of Russia	Gold 8000 Tons Reg.	Gold
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QUINNEBAUG	Capt. Medina	FRIDAY, 6th December at Noon.
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HAICHOW	Capt. J. W. Evans	TUESDAY, 9th December at 1 p.m.
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VON DER GOLTZ.

To read the Supreme Council's latest decision concerning Von Der Goltz, threatening Germany with pains and penalties if she does not instantly withdraw him (which is probably beyond her power), one would hardly believe that he is where he is by special permission, one could almost say at the special request, of the Allies. Yet that is the truth. Under Article XII. of the Armistice German troops occupying territories of the former Russian Empire were allowed to remain in their positions until definitely ordered to quit. The intention, obviously, was to use them against the Bolsheviks. The German military most readily accepted the charge, for they saw in it the means of achieving at least one of their former dreams, that of establishing in the Baltic lands a centre from which German influence could radiate eastwards. To achieve this they clearly had to out Bolsheviks. But they also had to root out all aspirations to independence of the Baltic populations of the former Russian Empire. Von der Goltz, with the co-operation of a Landwehr organised by the Baltic barons, energetically took this task in hand, being greatly assisted by our refusal to recognise the independence of the Baltic States. But his two immediate aims were precisely the same as those of the reactionary Russian elements operating in those regions. Hence Von der Goltz very soon and very naturally found himself crusading side by side with Yudenitch and Prince Lieven (our allies and Koltchak's lieutenants) against the Bolsheviks, and, incidentally, against local national Governments. Of that connection there is ample proof. But lest Mr. Churchill should remain sceptical we will quote, for his benefit, Prince Lieven himself. Prince Lieven, who is now in Paris, tells in an interview with the "Journal des Debats" the story of the force which he commanded. When he first organised it he approached the British Government for material assistance. But our Admiral commanding in the Baltic was unable to offer more than sympathy. Says Prince Lieven: "In order to keep my force alive I therefore had to address myself to, and unite with, the Baltic Landwehr. These troops were, in principle, at the charge of the Lithuanian Government. But as the latter had no finances resources it had to accept advances from the German authorities in 'occupation.' The reference is, of course, to the Lithuanian Government set up by Von der Goltz, after the forcible removal of the original national Lithuanian Government. Now, all these facts were known to the Supreme Council. They also knew the grave

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Portland	Waban	The Admiral Line	On 23rd Dec.
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Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Nikko Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	About 9th December.
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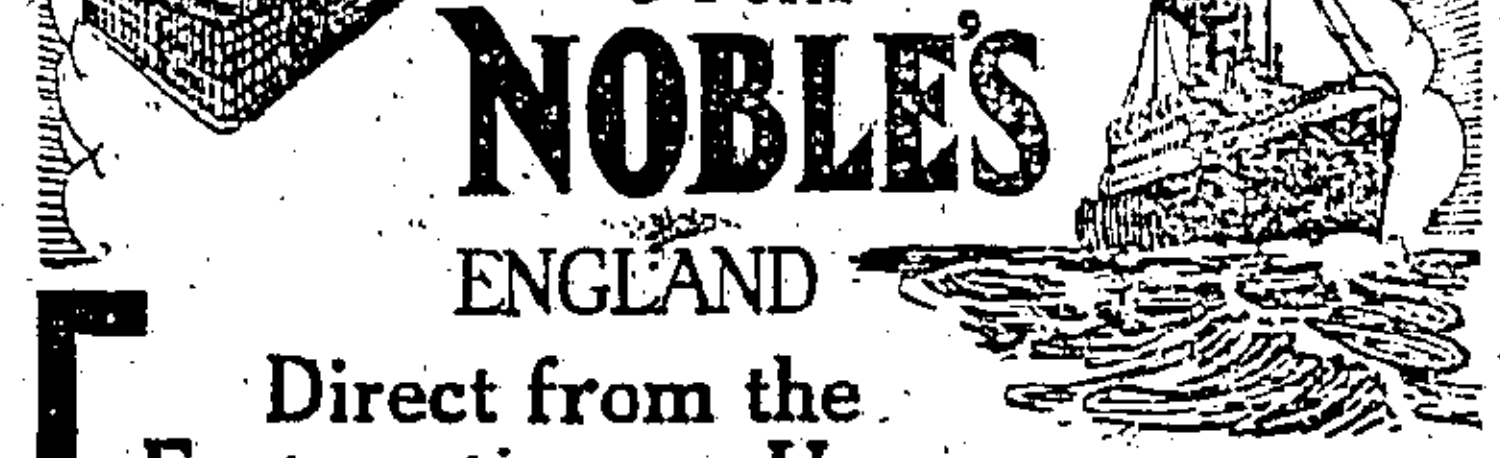
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TALK ABOUT COAL.

LONDON, November 28.

[First part missing.]

The miners' solution was nationalisation, but the miners were prepared to co-operate in any system to secure larger production.

Replying, Sir Auckland Geddes said the suggested committee was undesirable because it would not be an expert one. The government had nothing to conceal but, objected to the committee because it wanted to get on with the job. He defended the accuracy of the estimate upon which the price of coal was increased. He said between the middle of July and the end of October 9,300,000 tons were exported. This increase was unforeseeable; it was due to an unexpectedly increased output. At the export coalfields, moreover, export prices increased enormously. This was due to the unforeseeable world shortage, and to the fact that clamouring nations had been ready to pay any price and to the fact that large surpluses became available for export on account of the shrinkage of coastwise shipping. Hence the controlling factors in this situation were mainly outside this country. In October the industry showed a deficit of £9,000,000. The small proportion of coal which we were exporting was making tremendous profits. The large proportion we were using inland was making a loss. It was anticipated that the above deficit would be paid off by December and that there would be a profit of £17,000,000 by the end of the financial year. This estimated surplus they were using to reduce the domestic prices. He defended this policy on the ground that the money could not be devoted to a better object than reducing the cost of living, because a further rise must lead to new demands for higher wages, so perpetuating a vicious circle of increasing cost and rising wages, which, if continued, would strangle the industry of the country. The Government had requested impartial accountants to examine the July coal estimates and report upon the data whereon the domestic reduction was based. The investigation would be published. If the House were then dissatisfied the Government was ready to consider the question of a further examination.

Referring to the resignation yesterday of the miners' representatives on the advisory committee, on the ground that they were not being consulted, Sir A. Geddes said he thought it undesirable to consult them recently but if they were prepared to co-operate in the spirit wherein Mr. Bruce had just spoken, the Government would welcome their assistance.

WOOLWICH ARSENAL TO BE LOCOMOTIVE FACTORY.

LONDON, November 28.

The Premier speaking at Woolwich intimated that in view of the world shortage of railway rolling stock the Arsenal would be made a great locomotive centre. He stated that orders were already in hand for the construction of a thousand locomotives and 2,500 railway wagons.

A BY-ELECTION.

LONDON, November 28.

The by-election at Thanet resulted in the election of the Hon. E. Harmsworth (Coalition-Unionist) with 9,711 votes. Mr. West had 7,058 votes.

THOSE WHO DIED FOR US

A STORY OF THE SEA.

SERIOUS PLIGHT OF A SCHOONER.

Consequent on the decision of His Majesty's Government to issue a memorial plaque and scroll to the next of kin of those who have fallen in the War, the Secretary of the War Office announces that the work of distributing the scroll has now begun. In the case of officers the scroll will be distributed from the War Office, in the case of other ranks from the Record Office of the unit concerned. The concurrent issue of the plaque has not been found possible owing to the necessity of building a special factory for its manufacture, and it has not been thought desirable to delay the issue of the scrolls pending completion of the arrangements for manufacturing and distributing the plaque. A further announcement will be made in the Press when the plaques are ready for distribution.

The scroll is of thick paper in the form of a rectangle approximately eleven-and-five sixteenths inches long by seven-and-seven sixteenths inches wide. It bears the following inscription:

"He whom this Scroll commemorates was numbered among those who, at the call of King and Country, left all that was dear to them, endured hardship, faced danger and finally passed out of the sight of men by the path of duty and self-sacrifice, giving up their own lives that others might live in freedom. Let those who come after see to it that his name be not forgotten."

This is followed by an inscription of the soldier's name and regiment.

The whole inscription is surmounted by a device including the Royal Arms in colour with the initials of His Majesty the King.

The scrolls will be accompanied by the following letter from Buckingham Palace over the King's signature:

FRENCH WISHES AND FRENCH BOA S.

The French Commercial Attache (for Indo-China) is very anxious that Mr. Chester Doyle should visit Saigon, Hanoi, etc. with a view to promoting tourist and other business there. Mr. Doyle is like Barkis, quite willing; but when we saw him this morning he said the French shipping people had no accommodation for him. If they are wise they will make it.

"I join with my grateful people in sending you this memorial of a brave life given for others in the Great War."

The scrolls will be distributed as they become ready, and no special application for them should be made as, in view of the large number involved, it is impossible to say when their issue in individual cases may be expected.

UNION CHURCH THREE QUARTER CENTURY FUND.

Messrs Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd.	\$1,000.00
Messrs The Dairy Farm, Ice and Cold Storage Co., Ltd.	500.00
Messrs Alex. Ross and Co.	250.00
Messrs W. G. Humphreys and Co.	100.00
Messrs The Peak Tramway Co., Ltd.	100.00
Mr. J. M. McHutchon	25.00
Amounts previously acknowledged	10,789.18
	\$12,764.18

PALACE HOTEL BILLIARD HANDICAP.

The Palace Hotel Billiard handicap competition was continued last night.

The results of the games played were as follow—

E. D. Golding (—200) beat P. Lannon (—75), 250—143. Winner's highest break was 34.

P. S. Beattwell (—200) beat E. Carr (scr.), 250—139.

To-night R. O. Parrott (—20) plays A. McCarthy (scr.).

POLICE ACCOUNTANT'S EMBEZZLEMENT.

\$13,000 INVOLVED.

Details, so far as can be ascertained at the moment, of the defalcations on the part of the head accountant at Central Police Station, which was reported in the *China Mail* last night, show that a sum of about \$13,000 is involved. It appears that the accountant, Chan Pui, drew the money for the purpose of paying wages and then absconded. Chartered accountants are now investigating and the result of their work cannot be known for some days. It is noteworthy that Chan Pui has 31 years' service in the Police Accounts Department to his credit.

HONGKONG THEATRE.

The Lasky Company present *Blanche Sweet* in a tense story of an American girl's adventures among Mexicans. "The Evil Eye," a gripping appealing story containing the elements of adventure, sensation and a charming love romance combined. This paramount production was made under the direction of Geo. H. Melford and abounds in beautiful settings and thrilling incidents. It contains five parts, with splendid cast of characters and magnificent scenery. This film will be screened from tomorrow, Wednesday the 3rd inst. up to next Friday, also during the afternoon performances.

The following passages are really very interesting—Go back to your work. Miss Torrance will remain here. Katherine receives an offer to become resident doctor at the O.H.I. vineyard. Waiting for the attack. A moonlight encounter. The boss will make her tell the truth and a woman doctor amongst superstition. This exceptionally good picture should not be missed by those who really appreciate first class acting. Take this opportunity.

CANTON BILLIARDS.

In the Canton Masonic Club Billiard tournament, Messrs. F. J. Thatcher and J. A. Bullin played off their heat before a good attendance on Saturday evening last. Bullin started from scratch and Thatcher was handicapped 50 points behind.

The game, which was exceedingly interesting throughout due to the fact that after Thatcher had wiped off his points, and got within the region of his opponent's score at the 150 mark, the ultimate decision of the game, was always in doubt—first one player took the lead and *vis a versa* but never with more than three points dividing them. Sportsmanlike play on Bullin's part, who the score read 247 all, only added two more points to his score, and with the chance left Thatcher found no difficulty in running out winner by the narrow margin of one point.

WALLA WALLA "boats are new and fast. Get them at Blake Pier.

KIDNAPPER AND MURDERER.

ACCUSED IN THE DOCK.

At the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. Leo Longinotto, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared before Mr. J. R. Wood to make application on behalf of the Canton Authorities for the extradition of a robber chief.

The Canton Authorities state that on April 19, a number of robbers, led by the fugitive, attacked a village in the neighbourhood of Canton, and, after pillaging the place, kidnapped a man, who was very wealthy, and killed his daughter-in-law and a male servant. The men then disappeared and were not heard of again for some time. although the authorities offered large rewards for information leading to their arrest. In July, one of the robbers was discovered in Macao, where he was hiding. He was extradited to Canton and, later, information was received that the leader of the gang was living in Hongkong. As a result of communications between the Canton authorities and the local Police, the man was arrested.

The man, whom the robbers held in captivity, died as the result of an illness, brought about by ill-treatment. The robbers had set a ransom on him but, as it was an exorbitant sum, the relatives could not obtain his release.

One of the villagers stated that on the night of the incident he was asleep when he was awakened by his wife, who stated that she had heard sounds of firing. He at once clambered on to the roof of his house to ascertain what was taking place. He noticed five men armed with revolvers and carrying torches, led by the fugitive. The robbers were leading the man, whom they afterwards held captive, and a woman. He was able to distinguish the robbers by the bright light of the torches.

The hearing was adjourned till to-day.

KOWLOON RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting held in Kowloon, last night it was resolved to call a meeting of residents of Kowloon and adjacent territories for the purpose of forming an association to be called "The Kowloon Residents' Association." It was stated that 122 residents had already signed their intention of joining such an association. Last night's meeting prepared a draft constitution for the proposed association to be submitted at the forthcoming public meeting. It was also resolved that the objects of the association be as follows:

(1) The general betterment of conditions of residence in Kowloon and the adjacent territories.

(2) To periodically meet and discuss improvements in these districts with special regard to housing, lighting, police, communications, sanitation, water, etc., etc., and to solicit the support of the Government and the unofficial members of these and similar matters.

(3) To consider, and as may from time to time appear necessary, approach the Government with the view to obtaining adequate representation of these districts on the legislature.

(4) To consider and if thought desirable to make representation to the Government in regard to the annual financial estimates affecting these districts.

A meeting of the residents interested will be called about the middle of January at a time and place to be arranged later.

AN APPEAL.

In the Supreme Court this morning Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. Blake, made an application before the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees-Davies, and Mr. Justice Gompertz, to leave to appeal from a decision given by Mr. Justice Melbourne. The motion arises from a case in which the Hop Lee firm sued the Kwong Tuk Cheong, engineers and ship-builders, for \$774 for coal supplied. Defendants raised a legal defence upon which His Lordship decided against them and gave judgment for the plaintiffs.

In making the application Mr. Potter said it arose out of a case in which plaintiffs sued the defendants (his clients) for the price of certain coal. Mr. Blake, who represented defendants in the Summary Court, contended that he was entitled to rely on an alleged breach of warranty by way of diminution or extinction of the damages. The Judge held that the defence could not rely on that point and they would have to file a counter-claim. That was the sole point the Court would have to decide. The Court granted the application.

OUR LOCAL POETS.

COMFORT.

There are great hearts that know no fear,
There are strong hands that never fail,
There are firm feet for ever near
When sorrows of the world assail.

There are great minds with conscience clear,
There are great souls just made to love,
There are great lives to many dear,
There are great thoughts of things above.

To those whose hearts are oft afraid,
To those whose hands are very weak,
To those whose feet seem far from staid
To these great words of comfort speak.

To those whose minds are wandering,
To those dear souls amid the strife,
To those for ever pondering
Come! speak the words that tell of life.

—WILLIAM HILL.

Hongkong, Dec. 1, 1919.

A COMPLIMENT TO

Where'er thy feet have on this dall earth pressed,
Where'er thy rose-leaf hands have soft caressed
Where'er thine eyes as pansies flecked with dew
Have turned their gaze—
There, in thy praise,
Flowers new-born their richest petals strew.

—BELFRATERNAS.

'AM AN' EGGS.

I ain't no good at "ritin'" fings wiv words as 'as ter rime,
So fer ter rite o' 'Am an' Eggs' 'll like me all me time.
Of only one word I can fink as seems ter rime wiv 'Am.
An' that's a word wot aint allowed—so that's off.

Now, Eggs is very funny fings, as anyone can fink.
You usually can tell 'y their different kinds o'—
(There I go again)

that's anov' word wot aint allowed in poetry. I'm er goin' ter chuck it. I 'ope as Mr. Editor wot's er angry wiv me. I've tried, anyhow. There's that there Kohn Jestrul and Wieth Kest they knows wot poetry is—let 'em 'ave a go at 'Am an' Eggs.

—WILLIAM HILL.

HAM AND EGGS.

SONNET.

'Mid the extent of linen's white expanse,
(Ethereal, voluptuous, unique,
Rare dainties that the morning meal enhance
And render fit for Epicure to seek
Fine-mystic moments when the bell's sweet note
Calls to the sacrificial feast, All Hail!
Thy milk-white purity the spirit-sodden throat
Seeks as Sir Lancelot sought the Holy Grail!

Crisp foe of yesterday's marital strife,
Sun-glowing emblem of that strife's eclipse
Set in a crystalline and dazzling sky,
Oh, grant that when the hunger-driven knife
Sullies thy virgin form, and eager lips
Taste of thy passion, the Eater may
Utter—

—KEITH WEST.

Hongkong, Dec. 1, 1919.
[Note:—This poem is written only in order to show that technique may be used to hide the 'unlovely nature of the subject. I do not share the Adversarialist's 'eroticism towards the dish described, and hold that the lines above are only defensible as an example of mental gymnastics.—K.W.]

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

"Ma."—Sorry too busy to answer yesterday. One quarter column of space per week could be devoted to that.

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No. 1267.—Chinese Products, Metals and Metal Products.—The Renke Trading Company, Inc., of No. 3 East 44th St., New York City, seeks Hongkong connections for the import into the United States of egg products, antimony, cassia and cassia oil, castor oil, rice, and other products, and for the export from the United States of steel and steel products, copper, machinery, tools, leather and leather goods, dyes, paints, soap, etc. The Company invites correspondence.

No. 1268.—General Import and Export.—William F. Gaynor and Company of the Monadnock Building, San Francisco, Cal., invite correspondence from Hongkong firms interested in the general import and export trade.

No. 1269.—Freight Forwarding.—Messrs. Neth and Mackay of 44 Whitehall Street, New York City, invite correspondence looking to the introduction of their freight service to and from the United States, particularly the securing of freight space on earliest steamers, effecting insurance, preparation of invoices and similar services. The company invites correspondence.

No. 1270.—Import and Export.—Mr. William E. Berney of P.O. Box 205, Walla Walla, Washington, invites correspondence looking to the development of import and export trade.

No. 1271.—Washable Interior Finish.—Mr. J. W. Merriman of 94 Columbia Street, Seattle, Wash., seeks a Hongkong agent for the introduction of a material known as "Alvaline," which is a paste paint for interior finishing. It has many merits for use in Hongkong.

No. 1272.—Automobile Equipment and Accessories.—The Mr. P. Trading Company of 60 Wall Street, New York City, seeks a Hongkong agent for the introduction of its automobile accessories and equipment, electrical supplies and appliances, and similar lines. The company invites applications giving trade references.

No. 1273.—The Merchants National Bank of Los Angeles, Cal., has established a branch of its business affording credit and similar service as well as furnishing advice and information concerning import and export business in its field. The bank invites correspondence from persons interested.

No. 1274.—Nuts and Chinese Rhubarb and Turmeric.—Messrs. S. B. Penick & Company of 254-6 Front Street, New York City, seek samples and prices of Chinese rhubarb of all grades, nuts, and similar merchandise coming under the head of botanicals, drugs and spices.

No. 1275.—Woodworking Machinery.—The J. A. Fay and Egan Com-

WISEMAN'S CAFE.

Wiseman's Cafe was the scene of a very happy gathering on Monday evening, when the Chief Petty Officers and the Petty Officers of H.M.S. "Carlisle" entertained to dinner the Chief Petty Officers and Petty Officers of H.M.S. "Hawkins," Flag Ship of the China Squadron. An excellent dinner was well served and thoroughly enjoyed. After toasting "The King" the Chairman in a very able speech gave the toast of "The Chief Petty Officers and Petty Officers of H.M.S. 'Hawkins'." and in welcoming their brother Officers stated that the object of this gathering was to promote more social intercourse and comradeship among the ships' officers stationed in the Eastern waters. A lengthy musical programme was indulged in, the representatives of both ships giving proof of possessing plenty of vocal and instrumental talent. At the conclusion of the evening the President, on behalf of the Chief Petty Officers of the "Hawkins," thanked the brother Officers of the "Carlisle" for their invitation and the excellent entertainment, and said that he fully appreciated the Chairman's remarks. This War had shown them that greater comradeship was beneficial to them all, not only from a social point of view but in many other respects and he hoped that this gathering would be the forerunner of many other similar functions among all the ships' officers attached to the China Squadron. He felt that he could not allow such an enjoyable evening to pass off without giving a word of thanks to the Manager of Wiseman's Cafe. Much of the evening's enjoyment was due to the great efforts that he had made on their behalf. He called for three hearty cheers. The Manager of the Cafe was called upon for a speech and in a few well-chosen words said that as an Englishman it was a real privilege and pleasure to do his little bit for those that had done so much for him and other members of the Hongkong community. He assured them that all Hongkong realised and appreciated the sacrifices and hardships that the Navy had undergone during the last four or five years and he was quite sure every one would do their utmost to make them all Good Health and a long peaceful life. The affair closed on the stroke of midnight with hearty singing of "God Save the King."

pany of Cincinnati, Ohio, seek Hongkong connections for the introduction of their wood working machines of all kinds and invite correspondence. A copy of their catalogue is on file at the Consulate-General.

No. 1276.—Andersen Automobiles.—Messrs. Andersen Brothers of the Woolworth Building, New York City, seek to place on sale in Hongkong their line of automobiles, particularly a chassis suitable for use in the construction of pleasure, commercial or other vehicles abroad. The company invites correspondence.

Hongkong, Nov. 27, 1919.

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TO A RETIRED
SCHOOLMASTER.

The November number of the Yellow Dragon (Queen's College Magazine) has the following clever verses, "To B. James," lately editor of the Yellow Dragon, now in retirement in New Zealand:—
The Scion of an ancient royal line,
You left the heritage divine,
The hubbub and the din of things:
But what's a priest and kingly crown
Compared to mortar-board and gown?

There was *Bouvier*, son of fire,
Whose "straw" in sacred writ,
Through Martin Luther's savage ire,
The Reformation lit:
But what's a son of Zebedee
To William Galloway, B.B.B.?

Or James the First but not the last
Great Britain's throne to grace,
Who left "Tobacco's Counterblast"
His language to deface:
But what's a scion of Raleigh's weed
To one of Clio's royal breed?

Nor less the great Pretender, Jim,
Of Jacobite renown,
Whose followers are named from him
Who did his elder brother down:
But what's a throne or mess of pottage
Compared to a New Zealand cottage?

At least you have one honoured claim:
No James can bear the stigma
Which sullies William's chequered name,
Old Clio's mute enigma:
Although we look the wide world round
Where is a "James the Silent" found?

Therefore we wait, Oh rarest Ben,
(The last but not the least, in truth)
Some product of your facile pen
To what the greedy Dragon's tooth:
A grand romantic Maori myth
Or lyric on your native crwth.

A. H. C.
"A History of Greece and
Rome," by B. James.

BABY'S WEIGHT.

One of the surest signs that a baby is making good progress is steady increase in weight. There is generally a slight decrease during the first week after birth, but from then on there should be regular and rapid growth if the baby is being properly nourished.

The most common cause of failure to gain weight is malnutrition, the food is either deficient in quality or quantity, or the digestive organs are not doing their work properly.

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HONGKONG STOCK
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HONGKONG, 2nd DECEMBER, 1919.
OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.
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DONG TOY
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, Sept. 15, 1919.

THE INDUSTRIAL AND
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NOTICE.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

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